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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

## Banks.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.  
(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DE-

POSITS.—At 3 months' notice 3½ per Annum.

" 12 " " 4½ " "

" 12 " " 6½ " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which

may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT,

Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,  
Hongkong, September 4, 1880.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. JOHN PAT-

RICK LALOR to sign the Name of

our Firm.

MARGESON & Co.,  
Macao, 5th October, 1880.

### NOTICE.

M. ERNST LUDWIG KRUTER has  
been authorized to sign our Firm  
per Procuration.

PUSTAU & Co.,  
Hongkong, October 18, 1880.

### NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed  
SOLE AGENTS of the ELLIOTTS  
METAL COMPANY, Birmingham, for  
Hongkong and China.

MELCHERS & Co.,  
Hongkong, Sept. 13, 1880.

### NOTICE.

ANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have

received instructions to sell by

Public Auction, (under Pow'r contained

in Bill of Sale and under Distress for

Rent), on

## For Sale.

KELLY & WALSH

HAVE just Received Ex. "FRENCH  
MAIL," their NEW STOCK of  
CHRISTMAS CARDS:

"Memorandum Tablets for 1880."

Dickens's "Mudfog Papers," £1.00

Hington's "Australian Abroad,"

Ceylon, India and Egypt, 4.50

Stanford's "New Map of China  
and Japan," 3.50

Boosey's "Royal Editions of Songs,"

Boosey's "Cavendish Music Books,"

"Les Sirenes," and "Pomona" Waltzes,

VIOLIN STRINGS,

New Designs in MENU CARDS and

GUEST CARDS.

Bramston's "Japanese Coins," £1.25

Imrie's "Japanese Etymology," 3.00

"The Girl's Attire for 1881," 2.50

"Every Man his Own Lawyer,"

"Bellows' French Dictionary,"

Sunderson's "Wild Beasts of India,"

Charles Dickens's "Letters," 4.50

Ruskin's "Fors Clavigera," 5.00

Pratt's "Surgery's Vade Mecum,"

Lancaster's "Degeneration,"

"Ethics,"

"Younett on the Horse,"

"Sunkey's "Hymns with Music,"

Levi's "History of British Com-

merce,"

"Belvoir's French Dictionary,"

"Browne's "Wild Beasts of India,"

"Sunderson's "Wild Beasts of India,"

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## THE CHINA MAIL.

## For Sale.

**MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.**  
HAVE JUST RECEIVED EX-  
AMERICAN MAIL."

Prime Eastern CHEESE.

Young American CHEESE.

Fine Apple CHEESE.

Californian BUTTER.

HOPS and MALT.

Lamb's TONGUES.

Soused Pig's FEET.

SPLIT PEAS.

Assorted JAMS.

Assorted VEGETABLES.

Assorted MEATS.

Assorted SOUPS.

CODFISH.

Pig's Head CHEESE.

Devilled HAM.

CAVIARE.

California Golden SYRUP.

CIDER.

Whittaker's HAMS.

Breakfast BACON.

COMB HONEY in Frame and

Bottle.

Pickled OX-TONGUES.

Pickled PIG PORK.

Boneless CODFISH.

Salmon BELLYES.

MACKEREL.

Green TURTLE, 1lb. and 2lb. Tins.

Borden's Condensed MILK (very fresh).

California BISCUITS in Crust and Tins.

Ginger OAKS.

Milk BISCUITS.

Soda BISCUITS.

Alphabet BISCUITS.

Oyster BISCUITS.

Buckwheat FLOUR.

CORNMEAL.

RYE MEAL.

BOMBIN, Small and Large.

Cracked WHEAT.

OATMEAL.

SHELLBACK NUTS.

PECAN NUTS.

WALNUTS.

SOFT SHELL ALMONDS.

PEA NUTS.

## Canned Table Fruits.

Bartlett PEARS.

PEACHES.

GREENGAGES.

APRICOTS.

QUINCES.

&c., &c.

## Tart FRUITS.

Smoked BEEF.

Smoked OX-TONGUES.

Compressed OX-TONGUES.

Mixed MEAT.

Compressed Corned BEEF.

Assorted JELLIES in Glass Jars.

Mixed PICKLES.

Assorted PICKLES.

Corned BEEF.

Queen's OLIVES.

Glam CHOWDER.

Sausage MEAT.

California SARDINES.

PORK and BEANS.

Yeast POWDER.

Smoked SALMON.

FOR in 200lb. Barrels.

BEEF in 200lb. Barrels.

Fruit BUTTER.

Cranberry SAUCE.

Apple SAUCE.

Butter BEANS.

Brown BEANS.

We have the following FOR SALE, in

Large or Small Quantities in Bulk . . .

Fine Valenots RAISINS.

Fine Pastas CURRANTS.

Smyna FIGS.

Good Breakfast TEA at 25 Cents per lb.

Fine MIXTURE in 6 & 10 Catty Boxes.

## CHROSE &amp; BLACKWELL'S

HOUSEHOLD STORES.

JOHN MOIR & Sons'

CELEBRATED PRESERVES

We beg to direct special attention to our

well selected Stock of

Wines, Spirits, &c.

HERDING & Co.'s MONOPOLY, Pts. & Qua.

MURKIN & Co.'s CHAMPAIGN, Pts. & Qua.

CHARLES HERDING'S WHITE SEAL,

Pints and Quarts.

CHATEAU LAROSE (CURRIES & ADAMS),

Pints and Quarts.

CHATEAU LAFITE, Pints and Quarts.

RIES GRAVES, Pints and Quarts.

BREAKFAST CLARET, Pints & Quarts.

OLD INVALID CLARET.

ST. JULIEN, &c., &c.

Burgundy, Hock, Sherries, &c.

Chamberlin, Chablis (white), Liebfraumilch,

Hockheimer, Nierstein, Steinberger

Cabinet, Rudesheimer Berg, Kon-

tin Victoria, Berg, Chateau

Yquem, Grand Vin, Haut

Sauterne, Marais, Sac-

cone's Pale Dry White Seal

Sherry, Yellow Seal Amabile

Sherry, Cutler Palmer and Company's

Sherry, Invalid Port (1848), Hunt's Port.

Brandy, Whisky, Liqueurs, &c.

1, 2 and 3-star Hennessy's Brandy, La

Grande Marque Brandy, Cutler Palmer

& Co.'s Brandy, 1, 2 stars;

Finest Old Bourbon Whisky, highly recom-

mended, Kirwan's Irish Whisky,

Jamison's Irish Whisky, Royal

Glendee Whisky;

AVH Gin, Swaine Board & Co.'s Old Tom

Gin, La Grande Chartreuse, Green

and Yellow, Mirandino de Zara,

Cognac, Boile & Qua, Ango-

stura, Bitter & Orange

Bitter, &c., &c., &c.

BASS' ALE, bottled by CAMERON & SAUN-

ders, Pints and Quarts.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. & J.

BURKE, Pints and Quarts.

PILSENER BEER, in Quarts.

draught ALE and PORTER, by the

Gallon.

Fine ALE, bottled by MacE., F. & Co.

ALE and PORTER, in Bulk, (Hockheads)

and Kilkerrane).

SHIPS STORES and SAIL-MAKING.

Hongkong, October 8, 1870.

## Insurances.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE, HONGKONG.

Position of the company at the close of the  
last financial year, the 31st April, 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000.00

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....\$ 300,000.00

RESERVE FUND.....\$ 425,000.00

BALANCE UNDIVIDED.....\$ 70,273.43

DIVIDEND PAID TO SHARE-

HOLDERS.....20% per annum.

DIVIDEND PAID TO ALL CONTRIBUTORS

OF BUSINESS, 25% on the amount

of their Contributions.

THE COMPANY grants Policies on MARINE

RISKS to all parts of the World, pay-

able at any of its Agencies.

Contributory Dividends are PAYABLE

TO ALL CONTRIBUTORS OF BUSI-

NESS WHETHER THEY ARE SHARE-

HOLDERS OR NOT.

B. GOLDSMITH,

Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, August 13, 1880.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of

China and Japan, and at Singapore,

Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance

granted at the rates of Premium current at

the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1880.

MANCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY OF

MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

THEATRE & ROYAL

## To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship

"Nanoo,"

Capt. WESTOBY, will be

despatched for the above

## THE CHINA MAIL.

The British steamship *Mulgrave*, arrived yesterday, reports.—Left Yokohama on the 23d instant. From Tsurabu Island experienced a strong N.E. gale with high sea.

The Dutch steamer *B.M. MacKinnon*, which arrived here to-day from Aden, met in with the heavy weather reported last week from that quarter, and was kept back considerably thereby, having been here to for thirty hours.

PROBABLY H. M. S. *Fly* or *Lapwing* will winter at Tientsin, while the *Albatross* may pass the same period at Chefoo.

H. M. S. *Mosquito* left Shanghai on the 26th ult. It is said that she is bound for Newchwang where she is to stay for the winter.

We read that the U.S.S. *Ashuelot* and *Airt* were due in Shanghai last week; the *Airt* might be expected there at the beginning of this month. It was, however, uncertain when these vessels would arrive at the movements of American men-of-war are so uncertain.

The O.S.S. Co.'s steamship *Orestes*, which arrived at Shanghai on the 24th ult. from Amoy, reports passing the *Jin R. Worcester*, from London, off the Tungsha Lightship, bound for Shanghai.

The Hawaiian barque *Mattie Macleay*, Captain Bolg, which arrived at Shanghai on the 12th ult. from Burrard's Inlet, has changed owners, and hoisted the British flag on the 24th ult.

We read in the local paper that the German barque *Faugh Balough* was sold at auction in Amoy on the 27th ult., by Messrs. C. Gerard & Co., for \$3,850.

The *Mercury*, referring to the announcement made in our columns some time ago from Manila sources that a Meteorological Society had been formed in the Philippine Islands, under the auspices of the highest Colonial Officials, asks, How long will the coast of China and the shipping in the Chinese waters have to continue to be devastated by typhoons, until it will be thought necessary in the British Colony to Hongkong to follow suit?

The *Shanghai Mercury*, reproducing our report of a recent speech by the Registrar in Bankruptcy, Mr. Gibbons, says it is perhaps the most extraordinary address ever heard in a British Court, and points to only one relief—that either the Chief Justice or the Registrar must go home. It will certainly never do to have the Supreme Court of an English Colony the scene of personal quarrels, vindictiveness, and scandal between two of the highest officials.

We (Courier) learn that Col. Gordon telegraphed to the War Office from Aden and received a reply withdrawing the cancellation of his leave, and giving him leave to the end of February. Col. Gordon determined nevertheless to proceed straight to England.

The *Mercury* on the same subject has the following:—

Colonel Gordon has arrived at Aden; his leave has been extended to the 28th February next, and he was contemplating a visit to Zanzibar. Slavery is the rite in the Red Sea.

The *Shanghai Courier* of the 26th has the following:—

The British Consul at Amoy is carrying on his war against the firm of Lloyd Koh Teung Poh & Co. with great vigour, and apparently without regard to consequences. Not content with having one suit filed against him here for £5,000 and \$10,000; and two appeals pending against two criminal convictions; and another suit for \$3,000; he has detained the *Caribbrook*, again, and she is now lying at Amoy unable to proceed, though ready to do so, the consequences of which must be another suit for a heavy amount against the Consul.

We (N. C. Daily News) believe the invention of Monsignor Coal, to which allusion has been lately made in some newspapers published in Europe, is a pretty old affair. Monsignor Coal has resided at Tsai Nan Fu in Shantung (not in the Canton district) for about 30 years. Many years ago, he set to work to transliterate the Chinese characters, but finding that there were certain sounds which were unknown in any European language, and which could not be well expressed by any combination of European letters, he invented other letters to indicate them. The great difficulty arises not from the large number of sounds, but from the very small number of sounds, compared with the large number of characters. This paucity of sounds makes it quite impossible to apply this system to the Chinese written language, and consequently it could not be accepted by the literati even if they were willing. With the colloquial language, however, the plan seems to answer well. Great part of the Bible, and some other works have been printed, and are understood by the people when read aloud, and Chinese who cannot read or write their own characters soon pick up the system and employ it in writing to the mandarin arias. It is evident that a system of writing a language which is inapplicable to the literature of that language has many difficulties to contend with, and although the priests may employ it successfully in giving to individual Chinese a certain amount of religious instruction, it is improbable that it can ever supplant the present system, or that the number of works printed according to the new plan can ever be sufficient to induce the people to study it.

The responsibility for the wording of the sensational telegram announcing that General Burges' brigade had been "annihilated" has been acknowledged by Major F. Adam, Assistant Quartermaster-General of the Kandahar Force, in a letter written to a Bombay contemporary.

A STATEMENT appears in recent Australian papers that the Queensland Government had ratified the new mail contract with the British India Steam Navigation Co. by telegram on the 31st August, a majority of the members having signed a document acquiescing in the step. It was rumoured that the members of the Opposition had sent a telegram to the London *Times*, stating they do not consider the honour of the colony involved in the acceptance of the mail contract by the Government and their determination to obstruct the voting of the subsidy.

CANON SCOTT and the Rev. Mr. Moule, who are now in England, were to have been recruited Bishops of North and South China respectively, on Thursday last.

Brief says that Mr. Spurgeon's 1,500th sermon has just been translated into Japanese, and published in that language by the Religious Tract Society.

*Trik South Australian Chronicle* of the 11th September contains the following two Brisbane telegrams concerning the new Torre Strait mail contract by the Queen'sland Government with the British India Steam Navigation Co.:—

Brisbane, Sept. 5.—The Government having received the written authority of thirty-one members of the House of Assembly, has telegraphed a ratification of the steam postal contract.

Sept. 7.—The Premier announced to-day that in accordance with the opinion of the majority of the House he had telegraphed an acceptance of the mail contract, but no reply had yet been received. The Opposition contended that the action of the Government was unjustifiable; that it was a dangerous precedent, and that the contract was liable to repudiation.

A PRIVATE letter has been received in Shanghai from Colonel Gordon. It was posted at Aden, and its contents we understand, are to the effect that the Colonel had given up the idea at least for the present, of proceeding to Zanzibar. He was going on to England without delay.—N. C. Daily News.

The Hon. A. D. S. Denison, commander B.M.'s corvette *Encounter*, while at Chinkiang was surrounded by natives and "pelted with stones." No further particulars of occurrence are to hand. The above information was placed at our disposal by a gentleman who yesterday (27th) received a private letter from Captain Denison.—*Shanghai News*.

With regard to the same affair, the *Courier* (27th) has the following:—

We have been given to understand that during H.M.S. *Encounter*'s trip up the Yangtze, the captain and some of the officers were subjected to a great indignity. He had come to land on the side of the river opposite Chinkiang, and there pelted with stones by the natives. We are informed that Captain Denison has referred the matter to the Consul.

#### THE SHANGHAI AUTUMN RACE MEETING, 1880.

Stewards:—F. D. Hinch, Esq., G. W. Coutts, Esq., A. McLeod, Esq., C. L. Grant, Esq., H. Overbeck, Esq., J. M. Ringer, Esq., G. E. Low, Esq.  
BARNES DALLAS, Esq., Clerk of the course.

#### SECOND DAY.

Saturday, 30th October.

We were able to give only three of the winners of Saturday in our last issue; the others came to hand after we had gone to press, and were as follows:—

4.—THE SHANGHAI STAKES.—A forced entry of Th. 5 for all Ponies entered at this meeting, except those in Black Stake First. Prize to receive 76 percent.; Second Prize, 16 per cent.; Third Prize, 7 lbs. extra;—Entrance, Th. 5.—One Mile.

Won by Mr. Bill's First Violin.

6.—THE MONOT CUP.—Value, Th. 150.—For China Ponies, being bona fide Griffins of the country.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Winners of a Race of One Mile and a Half or over, 7 lbs. extra; two or more such Races, 12 lbs. extra; and a Half.

Won by Mr. Eccles' Zip.

8.—THE WELTER CUP.—Value, Th. 100.—For China Ponies.—Winners in 1880, 7 lbs. extra.—Weight, 12 lbs.—Entrance, Th. 5.—One Mile.

Won by Mr. J. Peel's Jolly Friar.

8.—THE HACK STAKES.—Value, Th. 100.—For China Ponies not otherwise entered at this Meeting, and that have never been placed in any race.—Weight, 16 lbs. extra.—Entrance, Th. 5.—One Round.

Won by Mr. Baldwin's Fafe.

#### THIRD DAY.

Monday, 1st November.

1.—THE GRAND STAKE STAKES.—A Sweepstakes of Th. 5 each, with Th. 100 added to the sum of Th. 5 each.—For China Ponies that have never been placed in any race to the 1st January, 1880.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Winners of a Race of One Mile and a Half or over, 7 lbs. extra; two or more such Races, 12 lbs. extra; and a Half.

Won by Mr. Fungus' Prejudice.

2.—THE FLYAWAY PLATE.—Value, Th. 150.—For China Ponies.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Entrance, Th. 5.—One Round.

Won by Mr. Riss' Stratton.

3.—THE COSMOPOLITAN CUP.—Value, Th. 200.—For China Ponies.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Winner at this Meeting of a Race over One Mile and a Half, 7 lbs. extra; two such Races, 10 lbs. extra.—One Mile and a Quarter.

Won by Mr. Paul's Brae Chiel.

4.—THE SYCREE STAKES.—Value, Th. 100, added to a Sweepstakes of Th. 5 each.—For China Ponies.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Winners at this Meeting of a Race over One Mile and a Half, 7 lbs. extra; two such Races, 10 lbs. extra.—One Mile.

Won by Mr. Paul's Tajamahal.

5.—THE CHAU-SHANG-KIUK CUP.—Value, Th. 500.—Presented by the Employees of the C.M.S.N. Co., of Shanghai.—For China Ponies that have never run at any Meeting in China or Hongkong previous to date of entry at each Meeting.—To be won at two consecutive Meetings by Ponies, the bona fide property of the same owner or owners.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Entrance, Th. 10; to be paid to the Winner until the Cup is finally won, when the Second Pony will receive the Entrance fee.—One Mile.

Won by Mr. Tenz's East Wind.

6.—THE CONSOLATION CUP.—Value, Th. 100.—For Ponies that have run at this Meeting and not won a race.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Entrance, Th. 10.—One Round.

Won by Mr. Kerfoot's Wild Surf.

7.—THE CHAMPION SWEEPSTAKES.—A forced entry for Winners; optional for the Winner of the Hack Stakes, or the Consolation Cup, and all other Ponies that have run at this Meeting.—Weight for inches as per scale.—Entrance, Th. 10.—One Round.

Won by Mr. Kerfoot's Wild Surf.

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## THE CHINA MAIL.

[No. 5401.—NOVEMBER 1, 1880.]

## Intimations.

## THE CHINA REVIEW.

THE widely-expressed regret at the discontinuance of *Notes & Queries on China and Japan*, has induced the publishers of this journal to issue a publication similar in object and style, but slightly modified in certain details.

The CHINA REVIEW, or *Notes and Queries on the Far East*, is issued at intervals of two months, each number containing about 60 octavo pages, occasionally illustrated with lithographs, photographs, woodcuts, &c., so that the papers published demand, and the circulation justify, such extra matter.

The subscription is fixed at \$6.50 postage paid, per annum, payable by subscribers in Hongkong half-yearly in advance.

The publication includes papers original and selected from the Arts and Sciences, Ethnology, Geography, History, Literature, Mythology, Manœuvres and Customs, Natural History, Religion, &c., &c., of China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, the Eastern Archipelago, and the "Far East" generally. A more detailed list of subjects upon which contributions are especially invited is incorporated with each monthly. Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, French, German, Spanish, Italian or Portuguese, are admissible. Endeavours are made to present a resume in each number of the contents of the most recent works bearing on Chinese matters. Great attention is also paid to the Review department.

Notes and Replies are classified together as "Notes" (but referred to as given, when furnished, to previous Notes or Queries), as are also those quoted which, though asking for information, furnish no or unpublished details concerning the matter in hand. It is desirable to make the Queries proper as brief and as much to the point as possible.

The *China Review* for July and August, 1876, is at hand. It says that forty-two essays were sent in to compete for the best paper on the advantages of Christianity for the development of a State. All our learned societies should subscribe to this scholarly and enterprising Review. It is a sixty page, bi-monthly, repository of what scholars are ascertaining about China. The lecture on Chinese Poetry in this volume is alone worth the price of the Review. Address *China Review*, Hongkong—Northern Christian Advocate (U.S.).

*Trut's Oriental Record* contains the following notice of the *China Review*:—"This is the title of a publication, the first number of which has lately reached us from Hongkong, where it has been set up in some respects a continuation of *Notes and Queries on China and Japan*, the extinction of which useful serial a year or two ago has been much regretted in Europe as well as in China. The present publication, judging by the number of articles contributed to occupy a position, second to none and the neighboring countries, somewhat similar to that which has been filled in India by the *Calcutta Review*. The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable; and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular service, the Chinese Customs' corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first number of the *Review* by papers highly creditable to their respective authors. In a paper on Dr. Legge's *Shih King*, by the Rev. E. J. Eitel, to which the place of honour is deservedly given, an excellent summary is presented of the chronological problems and arguments involved in connexion with that curious work. Some translations from Chinese novels and plays are marked by both accuracy and freshness of style, an account of the career of the Chinese poet-shahen of the eleventh century, Su Tung-yo, by Mr. E. G. Bowra, is not only historically valuable, but is also distinguished by its literary grace. Beside notices of new books relating to China and the East, which will be a useful feature of the *Review*, if carried out with punctuality and detail, we are glad to notice that "Notes" and "Queries" are destined to find a place in its pages also. It is to be hoped that this opening for contributions on Chinese subjects may evoke a similar degree of literary zeal to that which was displayed during the lifetime of its predecessor in the field, and that the *China Review* may receive the support necessary to insure its continuance. The publication is intended to appear every two months, and will form a substantial octavo magazine."

## THE CHINESE MAIL.

This paper is now issued every day. The subscription is fixed at Four Dollars per annum delivered in Hongkong, or Seven Dollars Fifty Cents including postage to Coast ports.

It is the first Chinese Newspaper ever issued under purely native direction. The chief support of the paper is of course derived from the native community, amongst whom also are to be found the garnisons and securities necessary to place it on a business and legal footing.

The projectors, basing their estimates upon the most reliable information from the various Ports in China and Japan—from Australia, California, Singapore, Peking, Saigon, and other places frequented by the Chinese,—consider themselves justified in guaranteeing the ultimate circulation of 3,000 and 4,000 copies. The advances offered to advertisers are therefore unusually great, and the foreign community generally will find it to their interest to avail themselves of them.

The field open to a paper of this description—conducted by native efforts, but progressive and anti-obstructive in tone—in almost limitless. It on the one hand commands Chinese belief and interest while on the other deserves every aid that can be given to it by foreigners. Like English journals it contains Editorials with Local, Shipping, and Commercial News and Advertisements.

Subscription orders for either of the above may be sent to

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NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

Colonial Newspapers received at the office are regularly filed for the inspection of Advertisers and the Public.

## Visitors' Column.

## Hongkong Rates of Postage.

(Revised June 23, 1880.)

We have instituted as an experiment a Visitors' Column, which we trust will prove successful, and be found useful. This will be relegated from time to time such news of information, lists, tables and other documents as are considered likely to prove valuable to persons passing through the City, and in connection with which we have opened a SELECT HOTEL AND BUSINESS DIRECTORY, applications for enrolment into which we are now ready to receive.

## List of Public Buildings.

Government House, North of Public Gardens.  
City Hall, Library (8,000 volumes) and Museum.—Free.  
Public Gardens, beautifully picturesque retreat and of great interest.  
The Clock Tower, Queen's Road Central, in line with Pedder's Wharf.  
General Post Office, Hongkong Club, German Club, Supreme Court, &c., within a few streets.

Lusted Hall and Library, Shelley St.; Government Offices, the Secretariat, &c., near the Public Gardens.  
St. John's Cathedral (Anglican), above the Parade Ground.  
Roman Catholic Cathedral, Wellington Street.

Union Church, Queen Street.

St. Peter's Seminary, Beach, West Point.

St. Joseph's (R.C.) Church, Garden Road, near Kennedy Road.

Templeman Hall, specially adapted for holding meetings, Queen's Road East.

Suttor House, Queen's Road.

H. E. and Chinese Telegraph Office, and the Great Northern Telegraph Office, Marine House, Queen's Road.

Masonic Hall, Victoria Street.

Victoria Station, Cable, telephone and Bell telephones, Praya, beyond the Central General, beside the City Hall.

The Barracks and Naval and Military Stores Department lie to the eastward, and cover a large area.

## Stores, Books, &amp;c.

General Contractor, Hooper, Taylor, &c.—1. N. Dickinson, 46 and 47, Queen's Road, by special appointment to H.E. the Governor.

Characterizes, Watches, Jewellery, Maps and Charts.—G. F. COOPER & CO., Queen's Road Central.

American and English Stores, Books, and specially selected Papers.—M. A. EVANS, FRITH & CO.

American Newspapers and cheap Books, &c., choice Tobacco and Cigars.—MAGNUS VANDER STOOL, 42, Queen's Road.

Watches, Jewellery, Charts, Drawings, Optical Instruments, Morians' Pendulums, &c.—JOHN NOBLE, agent for Negretto Zambla.

Guns, Rifles, Pistols, Ammunition, and Sportsmen's articles of all descriptions.—W. S. SMITH & CO., Gunsmiths, Eastern House of Beaconsfield Arcade.

## Chair and Boat Hire.

LOCAL RATES OF POSTAGE ON LETTERS, &c., IN THE COUNTRY OF HONGKONG.

Chair and Canopy Pullaway Boats. Half hour, 10 cents; Hour, 20 cents; Three hours, 50 cents; Six hours, 70 cents. Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

1. VICTORIA PEAK Single Trip.

Four Coolies, \$1.00  
Three Coolies, 50 cents  
Two Coolies, 30 cents  
Return (direct or by Post) same rate.

2. TO VICTORIA GULF (TO LEVEL OF OMBRELLA SEAL) Single Trip.

Four Coolies, \$0.60  
Three Coolies, 50 cents  
Two Coolies, 30 cents  
Return (direct or by Post) same rate.

3. No Parcel Post.

Local Delivery.

1. All correspondence posted before 6 p.m. on any week day for addresses in Victoria will be delivered the same day, and generally within two hours, unless the delivery should be retarded by the Contract Mails.

2. Inquiries, &c., can generally be delivered within Victoria at the private houses of the addressees rather than at places of business, if it is to that effect expressed by the sender, otherwise all correspondence is invariably delivered at the nearest place of business.

3. Boxholders who desire to send Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, &c., all of the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, Bangkok, and the Ports of China and Japan, may deliver them to the Post Office and the postage being then charged to the sender's account. Each batch must consist of at least ten.

4. Boxholders may also send Patterns to the same place in the same way. Envelopes containing Patterns may be wholly closed if the nature of the contents prevent it, or may be partially closed, or may be inserted in such Pattern Packets.

5. Sampans, or Pullaway Boats, per Day, \$1.00  
One Hour, 20 cents  
Half an Hour, 10 cents  
Day, 50 cents  
After 6 P.M., 10 cents extra.

Nothing in this Scale prevents private agreements.

6. FREIGHT COOLIES.

Scale of Hire for Street Coolies.

One Day, \$1.00  
Half Day, 20 cents  
One Hour, 5 cents  
Half Hour, 2 cents  
Nothing in the above Scale to affect private agreements.

## Local Parcels Post.

(Revised June 23, 1880.)

In the following Statements and Tables the Rates are given in cents, and are, for Letters, per half ounce, for Books and Patterns, per two ounces.

Newspapers over four ounces in weight are charged as double, triple, &c., as the case may be, but such papers or packages may be sent at Book Rate.

Letters, &c., must not be folded together as except in *nothing* whatever is inserted, except in *nothing* Supplements. Printed matter may, however, be enclosed, if the whole be paid at Book Rate. Printed matter may be paid either as Newspapers or Books.

Commercial Papers signify such papers as are written by hand, to be delivered to the writer or to an actual or personal correspondent, such as invoices, deeds, copies, &c., &c. The charge on them is the same as for books, but, whatever the weight of a packet containing any partly written paper, it will not be charged less than 5 cents.

The sender of any Registered Article will be charged an extra fee of 10 cents.

The time of flight for Books and Commercial Papers to Farnham Post Office is 4 days. Patterns for such others are limited to 8 inches, and must not exceed these dimensions, 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

3. Books No Registration.

4. The public are cautioned not to confound these facilities with a *Parcel Post* to Europe, &c., which does not exist.

5. Correspondence to which Hongkong is a centre, most foreign post offices in Asia, Japan, Africa, Egypt, Mauritius, &c., America, Mexico, Chile, Brazil, &c., are also open to Hongkong.

6. The time of flight for Books and Commercial Papers to Farnham Post Office is 4 days. Patterns for such others are limited to 8 inches, and must not exceed these dimensions, 8 inches by 4 inches by 2 inches.

7. The regulations prohibit the sending of Books, &c., to British Colonies, unless the value sent is small, or to the Colonies, &c., 8 oz.

8. The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—

Books and Papers to British Offices, 5 lbs.; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs. Patterns to British Offices 5 lbs if without intrinsic value; to the Colonies, &c., 8 oz.

9. There is no charge on registered correspondence with the Postal Union.

10. To Non-Member Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—

Letters, 10 cents per oz.

Post Cards, 3 cents each.

Registration, 10 cents.

Newspapers, 2 cents each.

Books, Patterns and Books and Patterns, 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on registered correspondence with the Postal Union.

11. To Non-Member Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—

Letters, 10 cents.

Post Cards, 3 cents each.

Registration, 10 cents.

Newspapers, 2 cents each.

Books and Patterns, 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on registered correspondence with the Postal Union.

12. To Non-Member Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—

Letters, 10 cents.

Post Cards, 3 cents each.

Registration, 10 cents.

Newspapers, 2 cents each.

Books and Patterns, 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on registered correspondence with the Postal Union.

13. To Non-Member Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—

Letters, 10 cents.

Post Cards, 3 cents each.

Registration, 10 cents.

Newspapers, 2 cents each.

Books and Patterns, 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on registered correspondence with the Postal Union.

14. To Non-Member Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—

Letters, 10 cents.

Post Cards, 3 cents each.

Registration, 10 cents.

Newspapers, 2 cents each.

Books and Patterns, 2 cents per 2 oz.

There is no charge on registered correspondence with the Postal Union.

15. To Non-Member Countries.

General Rates, by any route:—

Letters, 10 cents.

Post Cards, 3 cents each.

Registration, 10 cents.

Newspapers, 2 cents each.

Books and Patterns, 2 cents per 2 oz.